

REMARKS

Applicant has identified several typographic errors in the Claims. Applicant has amended the claims herein to correct the errors.

In Claim 16, the formula " X^1 -PG" was labeled as figure III. However, the formula " X^1 -R²" was also labeled as figure III in this claim. Applicant has relabeled the formula " X^1 -PG" as formula "IIIa" to correct the error.

In Claim 16, the last line of step d incorrectly recites formula "I". The text therein should properly recite formula "Ia" which is shown just below in step e. Applicant has amended the claim to correct the error. Applicant has also inserted "as defined below" to reference the structure of Ia.

In Claim 23, the formula " X^1 -PG" was labeled as figure III. However, the formula " X^1 -R¹" was also labeled as figure III in this claim. Applicant has relabeled the formula " X^1 -PG" as formula "IIIa" to correct the error.

In Claim 23, the last line of step d incorrectly recites formula "I". The text therein should properly recite formula "Ia" which is shown just below in step e. Applicant has amended the claim to correct the error. Applicant has also inserted "as defined below" to reference the structure of Ia.

Claims 10 and 11 depend from Claim 9. Claims 10 and 11 recite a compound labeled formula III that is X^1 -R². However, there is no such formula in Claim 9. Claims 10 and 11 should properly have recited X^2 -R² which is labeled as formula VI in Claim 9. Applicant has amended Claims 10 and 11 to correct the error.

Similarly, Claims 24 and 25 depend from Claim 23. Claims 24 and 25 recite a compound labeled as formula III that is X^1 -R². However, there is no such formula in Claim 23. Claims 24 and 25 should properly have recited X^2 -R² which is labeled as formula VI in Claim 23. Applicant has amended Claims 24 and 25 to correct the error.

Claims 1, 9, 16 and 23 were amended to delete reference to "A)" which appears immediately after "which comprises". The reference to "A)" was intended to denote the order of steps in the process of original Claim 1. In accordance with Examiner's request, the alternative steps were rewritten as independent claims. Therefore, the reference to "A)" is no longer required.

Finally, the paragraph defining the possible definitions for the variable R2 in Claims 1, 5, 6, 9, 12, 13, 16, 19, 20, 23, 26 and 27 contained a misspelling of the word "where". Applicant has corrected the spelling by inserting an "h" between the "w" and the "e".

Applicant asserts that the amendments herein do not constitute new matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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